

Rapid River News!

April 20, 2009

From L.R.B.O.I.



(The following information comes from a weekly update supplied to the Ogema concerning the tribal government, local communities and issues that affect overall tribal business.)

(Cultural related items)

- **We Shall Remain** is a groundbreaking mini-series and provocative multi-media project that establishes Native history as an essential part of American history. Five 90-minute documentaries spanning three hundred years tell the story of pivotal moments in U.S. history from the Native American perspective. Episode 3 Trail of Tears (**PBS PREMIERE ON APRIL 27, 2009**). Though the Cherokee embraced "civilization" and won recognition of tribal sovereignty in the U.S. Supreme Court, their resistance to removal from their homeland failed. Thousands were forced on a perilous march to Oklahoma. (Watch the Rapid River for notice of upcoming episodes)
- **Tribal Member plays performed at WSCC.** This weekend, two short plays produced by LRBOI Peacemaker Austen Brauker are being performed as part of a 'ten minute play festival' in conjunction with West Shore Community College. They will be performed April 24th and 25th at 8 p.m. at the Ludington Area Arts Center. Contact the WSCC Box Office at 231-845-3344 or go to www.westshore.edu for tickets.
- **Sacred Fire.** A sacred fire was held for members following the Membership Meeting on Saturday the 18th. The Peacemaking/Probation Department brought the fire together for members to meet and discuss things of concern, in a traditional way...in a circle, with a talking feather and with respect for all.
- **2009 Jiingtamok.** See the note below regarding the dates and information for the annual Pow Wow at our Gathering Grounds.
- **Miiigwetch –Workshop** April 26, 2009, St. Thomas Hall 3252 Apple Ave -11am to 3pm Native American Ministry would like to Thank all who have been coming to events and sponsoring the ministry and the Kateri Tekakwitha Center in Hart with out you we wouldn't be able to do what we dosponsored by Native Ministry and the Kateri Circles come share teachings of Medicine Wheels-Dream Catchers-Medicine bundles and Kateri Tekakwitha Chaplets and share a meal of Indian Tacos and fry bread please come and learn we can share the day and make memories.....contact Debra Gutowski 231-733-2891. Giiwedini-Monidoo will be drumming, we have many teachers children-men-women-elders who will teach

(General area items)

- **Membership Meeting held.** The Spring 2009 Membership Meeting was held at the Little River Casino/Resort over the weekend. Beginning with a meet-n-greet by the Ogema Friday evening and then through the whole day Saturday, hundreds of tribal citizens and their families met with their families and tribal leadership for an update on tribal activities. A full report with photographs will be in the next **Currents**.
- **LRCR Honored by Guard.** The casino resort was recognized at a banquet Saturday evening by the soldiers of Bravo Troop (Manistee National Guard). When they were deployed last year, the casino had assisted with buses and some equipment for the sendoff. At the banquet, General Manager Michael Garrow and Marketing Director Eileen Duffin were presented with some gifts by Bravo Troop. Pictures will be in the **Currents**.
- **May 29, 2009** Board of Directors Open Session to be held in the Grand River Room at 4:00 p.m.

- **June 26, 2009** Board of Directors Open Session to be held in the **Grand River Room** in the Casino at 4:00 p.m.
- **Golf Tournament in Shelby.** Tribal member Rob Henderson has announced a golf tournament for his church in Shelby. **SATURDAY MAY 9, 2009** 10 a.m. Registration 11am Shotgun Start at the **Oceana Golf Club** 3333 W. Weaver Rd. Shelby, MI 49455. To sign up **REGISTER BY EMAIL** at: sombrero.golf@gmail.com Call Pastor Rob Henderson at 231-861-5375 or Pastor Carlos Santana at 231-301-2409 for more information.

(Tribal Government-Department items)

- **Positive Indian Parenting this week!** Please see the memo at the end of the *Rapid River News* for information on a wonderful class starting this week from your Family Services Department.
- **Vacancies on the Binojeeuk Commission.** Please note that there are vacancies on the Binojeeuk and other commissions within the government. Please contact the Office of the Ogema if you have any interest in assisting your tribe on a commission.

(Kateri Circle)

“Everybody should pray together, cheer along, root along. That brings the circle together. Everything is together.”

--Wallace Black Elk, LAKOTA

Life on the Earth can sometimes be very complicated. Sometimes we think we are alone in our problems. Sometime we even withdraw. Then the problems become even more difficult. We need to watch out for one another, to care for one another, to pray together, to encourage one another; and we need to support one another. Behaving in this manner will bring the circle together.

Great Spirit, today, let me support my brothers and sisters

(Kateri Circle Calendar for the year)

Spring Pow-wow and feast

POTLUCK- April 18 noon to 5 PM

Reeths Puffer Middle School

1911 W. Giles

1-3 storytelling-dancing

Giiwedini-Monidoo

3-5 Feast

Native crafts tables call

Judy & Dan Corder 766-3751

Jennifer Beatty 893-8361

Debra Gutowski 733-2891

Miigwetch Meejiim-workshop

April 26, 2009

St. Thomas hall 3252 Apple Ave -11am to 2pm

May Cemetery clean-up

St Joseph / Elbridge Kateri Circle

Kateri Tekakwitha Center

3802 144th ave. Hart, Mi. 9-2 pm

bring tools for raking, weed wacking gloves, any tool that can clean a cemetery

Lunch will be served and coffee and juice

July Summer Gathering

Krause Park July 26

11am - 3 pm

Potluck-dish to pass

Meat and rolls provided

Halloween Gathering

Oct. 18, 2009 11-3pm

St Thomas Hall 3252 Apple Ave

Costume party

Ghost Supper

Nov 1, 2009

11 am to 3 pm Sunday

Potluck-Dish to pass

Bingo-Door prizes-Raffles

Patti-755-4865

Christmas Gathering

Dec. 6, 2009 11 am to 3 pm

St. Thomas hall 3252 Apple Ave

Potluck - Dish to pass

Santa for the kids

Patti - 755-4865

Debra Gutowski-Director

Native Ministry

360 Division Ave. S.

Grand Rapids, MI 49503

616-243-0491 x 1517

Tribal Court Docket

This information is subject to change without prior notice. Updated: 3-25-09

If you are interested in a hearing, please call the Tribal Court office (231-398-3406) the day before to confirm the schedule.

Hearing Key Code

CO - Cora Offense/Conservation
DM - Divorce with children
EB - Election Board Appeal
FSJ - Foreign Support Judgment
GM - Guardianship of Minor
JV - Juvenile
NC - Name Change
TA - Trust Access

CS - Child Support
DO - Divorce w/o children
EM - Emancipation of Minor
GA - Gaming Appeal
GR - Employment Matter
LT - Landlord Tenant
PF - Probate
TM - Tribal Misdemeanor

CT - Civil Ticket
EA - Enrollment Appeal
FJ - Foreign Judgment
GC - General Civil
JC - Judicial Complaint
NA - Neglect Abuse
PPO - Personal Protection Order
WC - Workmen's Compensation

Wednesday, April 15, 2009; Judge Sherigan

- 10:00 a.m. 08311GC - Battice v. Tribe Scheduling Conf.
- 10:15 a.m. 08312GC - Kase v. Tribe Scheduling Conf.
- 10:30 a.m. 09045GC - Battice/Kase v. Burger/Davis Pretrial

Monday, April 20, 2009; Judge Bailey

- 8:15 a.m. 09074GC - Willis v. Tribe Motion Hearing
- 9:00 a.m. 09061CO - LRBOI DPS v. NR Dept. Pretrial
- 10:00 a.m. 07225WC - Gerhardstein v. Casino Trial
- 11:00 a.m. 09014TM - Tribe v. Hutson Pretrial (with Prosecutor)
- 1:30 p.m. 09044DM - Vert v. Vert Pretrial
- 3:00 p.m. 08287TM - LRBOI v. Stone Hearing On Writ

Monday, April 27, 2009; Judge Bailey

- 9:00a.m. 09050NC - Umlauf, Name Change Hearing
- 10:00 a.m. 060018DM - Taylor v. Taylor Motion Hearing
- 11:00 a.m. 09034GM - Studey & Studey Closed Hearing (minor)
- 1:30 p.m. 08168DM - James v. James Final Divorce
- 2:30 p.m. 09047GC - ECS v. Davis Pretrial

Tuesday, April 28, 2009; Judge Pope

- 10:00 a.m. 08315GC - Sam et al v. Crampton Motion Hearing
- 1:30 p.m. 08195GC - Sam et al v. Kelsey/Ossiginac Motion Hearing

Thursday, April 30, 2009; Judge Sherigan

- 10:00 a.m. 09011GC - Wilson v. Detz Bench Trial
- 1:00 p.m. 08080DO - Bray V. Bray Final Divorce
- 1:30 p.m. 06107CS - Bailey v. Thomas Show Cause
- 2:00 p.m. 08132GC - Martin v. Romanelli Motion Hearing

Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Family Services Department
375 River Street
Manistee, Mi 49660



Positive Indian Parenting Classes
Honoring Our Children by Honoring Our Traditions

Date: Thursday, April 23, 2009

Time: 5:30 pm -7:30 pm

Where: Muskegon Office - Little River Band of Ottawa Indians

Duration: 8 weeks

Who: Couples, single parents, grandparents, non-custodial parents, step-parents, foster parents, future parents, teen parents, anyone who cares for Native American children.

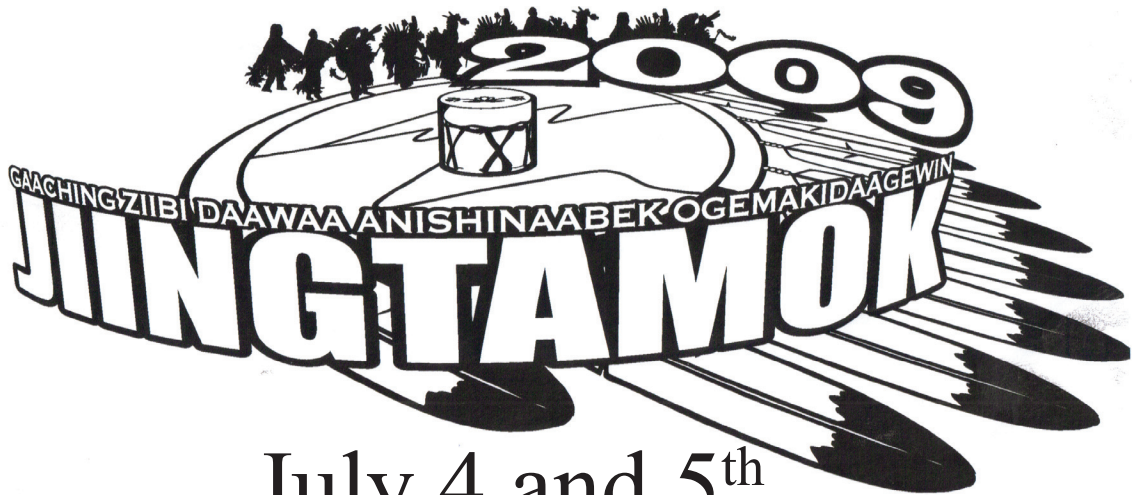
Positive Indian Parenting is a research-based curriculum designed to provide brief, practical, and culturally specific parenting skills for those who are raising Native American children.

A light meal will be provided.
Weekly giveaways.

To register call or email:

Kathy Lagerquist 231-398-6705
Candace Chapman 231-398-6651

klagerquist@lrboi.com
cchapman@lrboi.com



July 4 and 5th

Gathering grounds

Everyone welcome

Grand Entries: 1PM and 7PM on the 4th

1 PM on the 5th

Head Veteran, Host Drums and Head Dancers to be announced at a later date

Vendor Inquiries: 231.398.6895

(compiled by Office of Public Affairs)

If you have any specific questions, ideas or comments regarding this information, please address them to:
The Public Information Office, LRBOI, 375 River Street, Manistee, MI. 49660. 231-398-6840.
Or send them direct to currentcomments@lrboi.com .
Your comments will be forwarded to the right person at the tribal government within 24 hours.